THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OP TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) Exports of cotton yarn to EEC from India and *a* few other countnes are subject to qutoa restriction. USA also has mpos-ed quota restrictions on import of cotton yarn from a few countries. However, cottptt yarn exports from India to usa are not subject to Specicic limit but are under an overall group limit.

(b)Government have no information on ther stand reported *to* have taken by China and Pakistan in the matter of unutilised quota of yarn,

(c) to (e) Do not arise.

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2226. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: WiH the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state;

(a) what is the total quantity of cotton produced, Siate-wisc/District-wise including in Punjab; and

(b) what efforts are being made to Go-vernment to increase production of cotton in Punjab?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) The total quantity erf cotton produeed, state-wise (dis-trist-wise details not available) in the country during the cotton season 1993-94 had been estimated as under:—

(Qty. in lakh bales of 170 kg. each)

State	Estimated Production
Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan	38.5
Gujarat	19.5
Maharashtra	19.00
Madhya Pradesh	12.5
Andhra Pradesh	20.5
Karnataka	8.5
Tamil Nadu	5.50
Others	1.00
Total	125.00

(b) The Govenunent is implementing Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Intensive Cotton Development Programme (ICDP) in important cotton growing states, including Punjab, to increase the production of all types of cotton to meet the domestic requfrement and export surplus produce. Under the scheme, financial assistance to provide to the states for supply of critical in puts, such as seeds, pesticides, equipments, irrigation, sprinklers as also for organising demonstrations of improved technology and farmers training etc.

***Sick and New Textile Mills in Punjab**

2227. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: WiH the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of textile mills in Punjab which are sick and suffered losses;

(b) the details of each mill and the effective measures Government oropose for improvement of the said mills; and

(c) tho details of new textiles units proposed to be established in the State during the period; of Eishth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) As on 31-1-94, there were 5 textile mills registered with Board for Industrial Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) as sick. The names of mills are given below:—

1. Punjab Spinning and Weaving Mills.
2. JCT Fibres Limited.
3. Khanna Silk Mills.
4. Shree Lalit Fabrics (P) Ltd.
5. Punjab State Hosiery and Knitwear.

Government have set up BIFR to evolve and manage rehabilitation package in respect of viable sick/closed mills.

(e) The Government on its own does not set up any new Cotton/Man-made